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**James Monroe to Thomas Jefferson, October 15,
1797, from Thomas Jefferson and James Monroe
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James Monroe to Thomas Jefferson

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Dear Sir

I shall send Mr. Bache tomorrow about two thirds of my narrative and the residue by the next post. I have nothing from him by the last wh. gives cause to apprehend either that his people or himself are sick of the yellow fever. It becomes necessary that I give the publication a title, and therefore I wish yr. opinion upon that point. I subjoin one wh. is subject to your correction. You mentioned some time since the propriety of my discussing the question whether a minister was that of his country or the admn. It is a plain one, but yet I will thank you to put on paper what occurs to you on it, any time withing a day or two & send it me.

There are letters of the Secry. of State wh. are omitted, such for example as that wh. I send, being rather a document accompanying one, than a letter. You will perceive it is lengthy and not applicable to the object of my publication. As also another respecting Mr. Fenwick containing a charge against him of wh. some notice is taken in one of mine by way of reply. It was omitted as a personal thing from motives of delicacy to him. Wod. you publish both or either of these in the appendix? Skipwith's report to me is omitted also;

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wod. you instruct Bache to publish it in the appendix. The one I refer to is that published by Pickering

with Mr. Adams's message to the last Session of Congress. Yours respectfully Jas.
Monroe

[P.S.] "A view of the conduct of the admn. In the managment of our foreign affairs for the years 1794 5 and 6 by an appeal to the official instruxions & correspondence of James Monroe late minister p. of the U. States to the French republick, to wh. is prefix'd an introductory narrative by the sd. James M. or

"A view of the conduct of the Executive of the U. States in the management of the affrs. of those States with foreign powers for the years 1794. &c as above."

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